Julie,

We at Barrow's Landscaping have been landscaping in Northern CA for over 30 years. I will briefly explain what my thoughts are on the proposed changes to MWELO. The new proposed updates are not attainable or sustainable nor do they make any common sense in the real world application of landscaping in the state of CA.

People waste water not plants, and if I understand correctly 10% of the state's water usage is used by urban areas, 49% goes to aquatic environments and 41% goes to irrigated agriculture (http://www.norcalwater.org/2015/04/23/top-four-myths-of-the-california-drought/). This water shortage is created by politicians and government agencies. Yes we are in drought years and should be vigilant in saving water however the DWR does not have this one correct. You will cripple the landscape industry with these mandates and you will not solve the problem nor will it have any real effect in our water shortage.

Please do not make an already difficult time more difficult by imposing more government bureaucracy and restriction that will not solve the water shortage we have in this state.

Your Precipitation rate limitation and ET/Irrigation efficiency are not sustainable with the technology we have today. We have made great strides over the past 30 years in our industries and will continue to do as we work together as a team.

Eugene Barrow

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